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### Re: Handling browser incompatibilities for applets

Hi, First use **JavaScript** to **determine** what browser ... Decide on what browser types and versions you will **support** and write **Java** applets that work with these ...  
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### Re: Screen Resolution

... something screwy is going on --> <! **Determine** the Screen ... IE versions before 3 didn't **support Javascript** var scrW ... the screen object in **JavaScript** 1.2/Jscript ...  
[comp.infosystems.www.authoring.cgi](#) - Apr 1, 1998 by patrick charles hayes - [View Thread \(12 articles\)](#)

### Java applet sizing issue

... x **Java support** in Mozilla) are beyond our control. An ugly hack would be to have the page load without the applet, **determine** its dimensions from **JavaScript**, ...  
[comp.sys.mac.programmer.help](#) - May 5, 2004 by Marton Anka - [View Thread \(1 article\)](#)

### CERT Advisory CA-97.20 - JavaScript Vulnerability

... I. Description Several web browsers **support** the ability ... or impossible for the browser user to **determine** if the ... Note that **JavaScript** and **Java** are two different ...  
[comp.security.announce](#) - Jul 8, 1997 by CERT Advisory - [View Thread \(1 article\)](#)

### Script-->Java applet for Netscape6

... to the Plugin1.3.0\_01 documentation, there is now **support** within Netscape6 ... Local **Java** policy will consider the origin of the **JavaScript**, **determine** a set ...  
[comp.lang.java.security](#) - Jan 10, 2001 by Michel Gallant - [View Thread \(1 article\)](#)

### Re: List of JVMs supported by Browser/Version?

... 1.1 Also, any tips for determining what level of **Java support** is available from within the applet or via **javascript**? So that the programmer can **determine** if it ...  
[comp.lang.java.programmer](#) - Jun 23, 1999 by Dave Postill - [View Thread \(5 articles\)](#)

### Internet Explorer and Java Plug-in 1.2

... But since IE does not **support** the navigator.plugins object ... How do you **determine** which plug-ins are available when running in IE, and using **JavaScript**? ...  
[comp.lang.java.programmer](#) - Jan 15, 1999 by gaitenby@my-dejanews.com - [View Thread \(1 article\)](#)

### Microsoft JScript FAQ

... 7 What platforms will **support** JScript? ... 18 Will **JavaScript** work in Internet Explorer 4.0 ... 22 In IE4, how do I **determine** the user's screen resolution using JScript ...  
[comp.lang.javascript](#) - Jan 26, 1998 by Eric Lippert (MS Scripting Dev) - [View Thread \(2 articles\)](#)

**Re: Problem calling Java from JavaScript**

... Assuming that the **Java** and **JavaScript** code are in a jar file (ARCHIVE="AppletClasses.jar"), you will need to **determine** which browsers **support Java** archive files ...

[comp.lang.javascript](#) - Mar 18, 1999 by Kerry Ginn - [View Thread \(5 articles\)](#)

**Re: For once, I'd be delighted to be proven wrong**

... of provide this but property put and get **support**, for both ... but you would have to poll to **determine** if the ... currently we've got it down to **Javascript** on the ...

[comp.lang.java.programmer](#) - Jan 5, 2000 by ajmayo@my-deja.com - [View Thread \(17 articles\)](#)

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Re: Displaying items \*with\* applet

... the applet, you can use **JavaScript** to **determine** whether the ... that, if an error occurs within your **JavaScript** (I'll ... by browsers that do not **support** this function ...

[comp.infosystems.www.authoring.html](http://comp.infosystems.www.authoring.html) - Apr 10, 1997 by LoneWolf -[View Thread \(2 articles\)](#)Re: Resize applet?

... Thus, it is necessary to **determine** the browser in which ... Signed **JavaScript** in Netscape has the ability to hide ... The **Java** code to **support** the dynamic resizing is ...

[fido7.ru.java](http://fido7.ru.java) - Jul 19, 2000 by Ivan V. Kanivets - [View Thread \(9 articles\)](#)Re: Cookies and Web browsers

... 2 system, then you can even **determine** the number ... I highly recommend everyone disable **JavaScript** and **Java**. ... installed applications which they **support** (allow \*.gif ...

[comp.security.misc](http://comp.security.misc) - Jun 4, 1997 by Neal Krawetz - [View Thread \(7 articles\)](#)Re: Determining which Browser is Accessing your Site

... applet> end tag) are ignored in browsers that **support Java** and so you can simply use the <applet> tag itself as its own "if" macro to **determine** if the browser ...

[comp.lang.java](http://comp.lang.java) - Jun 29, 1996 by Jim Graham - [View Thread \(32 articles\)](#)Check Java 1.1 support with javascript?[comp.lang.java.programmer](http://comp.lang.java.programmer) - Jun 5, 1998 by Mark Sears - [View Thread \(1 article\)](#)Compiler positions available for week ending August 6

... prediction will be used to **determine** parameterized cost ... Would be responsible for updating **Java/JavaScript** interpreter and ... a GUI debugger to **support** all several ...

[comp.compilers](http://comp.compilers) - Aug 10, 2000 by comp.compilers - [View Thread \(2 articles\)](#)Disabling Javascript code depeding on Broswer version

... With the helpy of my handy Orielly **Javascript** book I've been ... var ver; # Set up a booleanish variable to **determine** if the broswer can **support** # the code or ...

[comp.lang.java.javascript](http://comp.lang.java.javascript) - May 24, 1998 by Wes Pomeroy - [View Thread \(1 article\)](#)Re: Why I hate JavaScript

... fixes) Many \_many\_ IE browsers were installed on PC's that had no inbuilt **support** for those ... HTMLconverter does not use any **JavaScript** to **determine** which JVM ...

[comp.lang.javascript](http://comp.lang.javascript) - Mar 17, 2003 by Grant Wagner - [View Thread \(33 articles\)](#)Re: Scurrilous Deception Innuendo [was: Microsoft admits it!]

... some web pages contain **Java** or **Javascript** or JScript ... desktop simply means getting the tech **support** calls from ... How do you think Microsoft can **determine** content? ...

[comp.lang.java.advocacy](#) - May 5, 1998 by John Saunders - [View Thread \(27 articles\)](#)

Re: Need help with this script please..

... itself be empty or "#" in this case as JavaScript **support** is implied ... Unfortunately, there is no mechanism by which **JavaScript** can **determine** the bookmarking ...  
[comp.lang.javascript](#) - Nov 1, 2003 by Richard Cornford - [View Thread \(9 articles\)](#)

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Thomas Okken <tho@worldaccess.nl> wrote:

> OK, so I know now that you can display stuff \*instead\* of an applet  
 > by including it between <applet> and </applet>, but is there a way to  
 > do the opposite, so that you would have stuff, a caption for example,  
 > that would only show up if the applet was there and not otherwise?

Well... if you're the applet's author, you might just add a small panel to  
 the bottom of an applet (the BorderLayout would be an easy way to handle this)  
 which presents the caption.

If you're not the author of the applet, you can use JavaScript to determine  
whether the browser can handle JAVA, and if it has not been deactivated.  
Including the following would do it:

```
<APPLET ...>
  <PARAM ...>

  <SCRIPT LANGUAGE="JavaScript">
  <!--
(1)      function err_handler (msg, url, line) {
          return true;
        }

(2)      window.onerror = err_handler;

(3)      if (navigator.javaEnabled()) document.write "CAPTION";
  //-->
  </SCRIPT>
</APPLET>
```

Some people will likely object to the use of the function listed at (1) but it  
 works, and it covers all of the bases. The function at (1) and the statement  
 at (2) make it so that, if an error occurs within your **JavaScript** (I'll get to  
 the potetial error in a second), the user doesn't see any alert box.

The statement at (3) checks if the browser has **JAVA** enabled, and if so, writes the CAPTION. The possible error is that the function navigator.javaEnabled() was introduced in Netscape Navigator 3.0 and will not be recognized by browsers that do not **support** this function (namely MSIE3 and NS2).

Instead of the err\_handler() route of preventing errors, you could have specified something like: "if this is Navigator 3.0 then check if **JAVA** is enabled" but that would preclude later versions of **JavaScript** capable browsers from seeing the caption. Hence the err\_handler() route. Note, that this only prevents **JavaScript** errors. It doesn't touch any other errors.

If you've got any questions about the **JavaScript** stuff, please EMail them or post them to comp.lang.javascript as this (ciwah) is not the newsgroup to talk about **JavaScript**. If it's HTML related, go for it... 8^)

Later,  
LoneWolf  
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